

Program B: Criminal Investigations

Program Authorization: R.S. 4:501-562; R.S. 27:20; R.S. 27:308; R.S. 32:1550; R.S. 33:4861 et seq.; R.S. 40:960-1022 and 1379; R.S. 40:1485; R.S. 47-7001-7006; R.S. 47:9002

Program Description

The mission of the Criminal Investigation Program in the Office of State Police is to enhance the safety of the citizens of Louisiana through the investigation of criminal activity.

The goals of the Criminal Investigations Program in the Office of State Police are:

1. Maintain and enhance a centralized, self-initiating program designed to deter criminal activity and regulate gaming operations.
2. Increase effectiveness at identifying and investigating criminal activity
3. Expand and enhance the Criminal Investigations Program.
4. Strive to improve professionalism and proficiency throughout the Criminal Investigations Program.

The Louisiana State Police Criminal Investigations Program is dedicated to the suppression of criminal activity through vigorous enforcement of relevant statutes. The Criminal Investigations Program in the Office of State Police consists of the following activities: Detectives Division and Narcotics Division.

> The Detectives Division consists of the following: Detectives and General Criminal Investigations and Intelligence.

*Detectives and General Criminal Investigations: The Louisiana State Police (LSP) is the only statewide law enforcement agency equipped to handle large-scale, multi-jurisdictional criminal investigations. Additionally, the Detectives Division is heavily involved in support local agencies and jurisdictions with investigative assistance and suspects involved in criminal activity. State Police investigators are responsible for the enforcement of all statutes relating to criminal activity. Further, the section serves as a repository for intelligence information gathered throughout the state and as a point of coordination for multi-jurisdictional criminal investigations. Under the authority of R.S. 47:9002, the section also conducts investigations for the Louisiana Lottery Corporation.

*Intelligence: The Office of the State Police is engaged in the development and processing of criminal intelligence (both raw and refined) pertaining to organized crime, traveling criminals, public disorders, VIP security (including executive), and labor violence. Enforcement functions handled by this unit include investigation of crimes involving state agencies and personnel.

*Insurance Fraud Unit: Referrals and complaints are reviewed in a timely manner and investigated to improve the detection of insurance fraud related criminal activity. The Insurance Fraud Investigation function was assigned to the Office of State Police, Criminal Investigations Program during the 1999 legislative session.

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> The Narcotics Division, is responsible for Narcotics and Controlled Dangerous Substances Enforcement activity, enforces all local, state, and federal statutes prohibiting the possession, use and distribution of narcotics, dangerous drugs, and prohibited substances. LSP investigations are concentrated on large-scale narcotics operations, with emphasis on individuals implicated in interstate and international drug trafficking and organized prescription fraud by practitioners. Drug Enforcement Seizures and Forfeitures Fund: R.S. 32:1550 establishes a formula for distribution of funds derived from the sale of contraband property or seizure of narcotics funds.

RESOURCE ALLOCATION FOR THE PROGRAM

	ACTUAL 2001-2002	ACT 13 2002-2003	EXISTING 2002-2003	CONTINUATION 2003-2004	RECOMMENDED 2003-2004	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$188,110	\$288,307	\$288,307	\$913,494	\$0	(\$288,307)
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	476,935	510,287	510,287	510,287	510,287	0
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	1,616,448	2,633,494	2,633,494	2,534,403	2,719,466	85,972
Statutory Dedications	8,252,204	10,206,112	10,981,266	10,604,505	10,556,234	(425,032)
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	368,067	539,708	539,708	539,708	539,708	0
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$10,901,764	\$14,177,908	\$14,953,062	\$15,102,397	\$14,325,695	(\$627,367)
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Salaries	\$7,630,316	\$10,626,094	\$10,229,030	\$10,446,043	\$10,258,785	\$29,755
Other Compensation	189	21,052	21,052	21,052	21,052	0
Related Benefits	991,291	964,390	1,181,586	1,406,789	1,340,390	158,804
Total Operating Expenses	898,355	775,485	575,956	590,297	575,956	0
Professional Services	271	395	395	395	395	0
Total Other Charges	393,248	597,578	1,426,975	1,437,821	1,399,117	(27,858)
Total Acq. & Major Repairs	988,094	1,192,914	1,518,068	1,200,000	730,000	(788,068)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$10,901,764	\$14,177,908	\$14,953,062	\$15,102,397	\$14,325,695	(\$627,367)
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	209	201	208	208	206	(2)
Unclassified	1	1	1	1	1	0
TOTAL	210	202	209	209	207	(2)

SOURCE OF FUNDING

This program is funded with State General Fund, Interagency Transfers, Fees and Self-generated Revenues, Statutory Dedications and Federal Funds. The Interagency Transfers are from the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and are federal grants for narcotics enforcement. The Fees and Self-generated Revenues are derived from fees collected by the Office of Motor Vehicles and from the sale of assets related to narcotics investigations. The Statutory Dedications are derived from the Riverboat Gaming Enforcement Fund (R.S. 27:92), Insurance Fraud Investigation Fund (R.S. 40:1428), Drug Enforcement and Recovery Fund (R.S. 47:120.31) and the Louisiana State Police Salary Fund (R.S. 22:1065(A)). Per R.S. 39:36B.(8), see table below for a listing of expenditures out of each statutory dedicated fund. Direct Federal Funds are provided by the Department of Justice, the Drug Enforcement Agency, the Department of Treasury, U.S. Customs, FBI and the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

	ACTUAL	ACT 13	EXISTING	CONTINUATION	RECOMMENDED	RECOMMENDED
	2001-2002	2002-2003	2002-2003	2003-2004	2003-2004	OVER/(UNDER)
						EXISTING
Riverboat Gaming Enforcement Fund	\$7,317,203	\$6,647,892	\$7,423,046	\$4,386,589	\$3,276,654	(\$4,146,392)
Insurance Fraud Investigation Fund	\$935,001	\$1,133,855	\$1,133,855	\$1,133,855	\$1,133,855	\$0
Louisiana State Police Salary Fund	\$0	\$2,424,365	\$2,424,365	\$5,084,061	\$6,145,725	\$3,721,360

MAJOR FINANCIAL CHANGES

GENERAL FUND	TOTAL	T.O.	DESCRIPTION
\$288,307	\$14,177,908	202	ACT 13 FISCAL YEAR 2002-2003
			BA-7 TRANSACTIONS:
\$0	\$325,154	0	Carryforward for police vehicles
\$0	\$450,000	7	Realign salaries expenditures and T.O. with the Traffic Program
\$288,307	\$14,953,062	209	EXISTING OPERATING BUDGET - December 2, 2002
\$0	\$140,451	0	Annualization of FY 2002-2003 Classified State Employees Merit Increase
\$0	\$71,533	0	Classified State Employees Merit Increases for FY 2003-2004
\$0	\$730,000	0	Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$0	(\$1,192,914)	0	Non-Recurring Acquisitions & Major Repairs
\$0	(\$325,154)	0	Non-Recurring Carry Forwards
\$0	\$144,067	0	Salary Base Adjustment
\$0	(\$198,962)	0	Attrition Adjustment
\$0	(\$27,858)	0	Salary Funding from Other Line Items
\$0	\$164,161	0	Group Insurance Adjustment
\$0	\$8,862	0	Training Series Adjustments
\$0	(\$141,553)	(2)	Transfer aviation expenditures to the Operational Support Program
\$288,307	\$14,325,695	207	TOTAL RECOMMENDED
\$0	\$0	0	LESS GOVERNOR'S SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS
\$288,307	\$14,325,695	207	BASE EXECUTIVE BUDGET FISCAL YEAR 2003-2004
			SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS CONTINGENT ON NEW REVENUE:
\$0	\$0	0	None
\$0	\$0	0	TOTAL SUPPLEMENTARY RECOMMENDATIONS CONTINGENT ON NEW REVENUE
\$288,307	\$14,325,695	207	GRAND TOTAL RECOMMENDED

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

\$395 Witness fees

\$395 TOTAL PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

OTHER CHARGES

\$235,629	Monies used for investigative undercover work by specialized investigative support units
\$1,058,331	Federal grants for narcotics enforcement

\$1,293,960	SUB-TOTAL OTHER CHARGES
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Interagency Transfers:

\$27,200	To Office of Telecommunications Management for telephone service
\$77,957	To Donald J. Thibodeaux Training Academy for in-service training

\$105,157	SUB-TOTAL INTERAGENCY TRANSFERS
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\$1,399,117	TOTAL OTHER CHARGES
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ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS

\$540,000	Replacement vehicles (28)
\$190,000	Replacement computers
\$730,000	TOTAL ACQUISITIONS AND MAJOR REPAIRS